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### **Mayor accepts bike challenge**

**RIVERSIDE, Calif.** – Riverside Mayor Ronald O. Loveridge is now in training to compete in the Mayors' Challenge Event of the Redlands Bicycle Classic at 1 p.m., Saturday, in Redlands, Calif.

His Honor will be testing himself against other mayors, councilpersons and county supervisors from Riverside County, as well as San Bernardino and Orange Counties in a special .65-mile closed course in downtown Redlands.

"Riverside's definitely got the edge in this challenge," the mayor said. "I've been walking Mount Rubidoux and climbing the stairs at city hall."

His competition includes hometown favorite, Mayor Jon Harrison of Redlands, and San Bernardino supervisor, Josie Gonzales, and Councilman Eugene Montanez of Corona.

The rivalry is all in good fun to highlight the Santa Ana River Trail and Parkway Partnership. The trail connecting Riverside and San Bernardino Counties was completed last year, the first time in the trail's history.

The 24th Annual Redlands Bicycle Classic is Thursday through Sunday.

"This challenge highlights the expanding connectedness provided by the Santa Ana River Trail," Mayor Loveridge added. "Soon one will be able to ride the Trail from crest to coast."

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